

## APPOINTMENTS, BY TRANSFER, IN THE ARMY.

## FIELD ARTILLERY.

Second Lieut. John Magruder, Twenty-second Infantry, to be second lieutenant of Field Artillery with rank from September 9, 1910.

Second Lieut. E. Francis Riggs, Eighth Infantry, to be second lieutenant of Field Artillery with rank from February 11, 1911.

## PROMOTIONS IN THE ARMY.

## QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

Lieut. Col. Isaac W. Littell, deputy quartermaster general, to be assistant quartermaster general with the rank of colonel from March 3, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

Lieut. Col. Gonzalez S. Bingham, deputy quartermaster general, to be assistant quartermaster general with the rank of colonel from March 3, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

Maj. Winthrop S. Wood, quartermaster, to be deputy quartermaster general with the rank of lieutenant colonel from March 3, 1911, vice Lieut. Col. Isaac W. Littell, promoted.

Maj. Chauncey B. Baker, quartermaster, to be deputy quartermaster general with the rank of lieutenant colonel from March 3, 1911, vice Lieut. Col. Gonzalez S. Bingham, promoted.

Maj. George McK. Williamson, quartermaster, to be deputy quartermaster general with the rank of lieutenant colonel from March 3, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

Maj. Thomas H. Slavens, quartermaster, to be deputy quartermaster general with the rank of lieutenant colonel from March 3, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

Maj. David S. Stanley, quartermaster, to be deputy quartermaster general with the rank of lieutenant colonel from March 3, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

Capt. Harry B. Chamberlin, quartermaster, to be quartermaster with the rank of major from March 3, 1911, vice Maj. Winthrop S. Wood, promoted.

Capt. Louis F. Garrard, jr., quartermaster, to be quartermaster with the rank of major from March 3, 1911, vice Maj. Chauncey B. Baker, promoted.

Capt. Bertram T. Clayton, quartermaster, to be quartermaster with the rank of major from March 3, 1911, vice Maj. George McK. Williamson, promoted.

Capt. Ira L. Fredendall, quartermaster, to be quartermaster with the rank of major from March 3, 1911, vice Maj. Thomas H. Slavens, promoted.

Capt. Harry L. Pettus, quartermaster, to be quartermaster with the rank of major from March 3, 1911, vice Maj. David S. Stanley, promoted.

Capt. Frank A. Grant, quartermaster, to be quartermaster with the rank of major from March 3, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

Capt. Archibald W. Butt, quartermaster, to be quartermaster with the rank of major from March 3, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

## MEDICAL CORPS.

Capt. Clement C. Whitcomb, Medical Corps, to be major from January 1, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

Capt. George H. Crabtree, Medical Corps, to be major from January 1, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

## CORPS OF ENGINEERS.

First Lieut. Clarence H. Knight, Corps of Engineers, to be captain from February 27, 1911, to fill an original vacancy.

## PROMOTIONS IN THE NAVY.

Commander Gustav Kaemmerling, an additional number in grade, to be a captain in the Navy from the 4th day of March, 1911, with the officer next below him.

The following-named lieutenant commanders to be commanders in the Navy from the 4th day of March, 1911, to fill vacancies:

Carl T. Vogelgesang,  
John R. Edie, and  
Clark D. Stearns.

The following-named lieutenants (junior grade) to be lieutenants in the Navy from the 4th day of March, 1911, to fill vacancies:

Halford R. Greenlee, and  
Charles M. Austin.

Ensign Alexander S. Wadsworth, jr., to be a lieutenant (junior grade) in the Navy from the 31st day of January, 1910, upon the completion of three years' service as an ensign.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, April 6, 1911.

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D.

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Missouri is recognized. The Chair, however, will request the gentleman to suspend a moment until a Member can be sworn in.

## OATH OF OFFICE.

The oath of office was administered by the Speaker to Mr. KÖNIG, a Representative from Maryland.

## PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO THE SPEAKER.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, I am delegated by the people of Ralls County, in the ninth congressional district of Missouri, which is the district the Speaker has the honor to represent, to present to him on this occasion a gavel which he is expected, as the first Democratic Speaker west of the Mississippi River, to wield in evidence of his power. [General applause.]

There has been sent to me by mail a statement of the history of this mallet. I will ask the Clerk to read that statement, which has been prepared and sent to me by Hon. David Wallace, of Ralls County, Mo.

The Clerk read as follows:

BUR-OAK GAVEL MADE BY FRIENDS OF HON. CHAMP CLARK IN RALLS COUNTY, MO., AND TO BE PRESENTED TO HIM ON HIS ELECTION AS SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT WASHINGTON, D. C.—A BIT OF HISTORY ABOUT THIS GAVEL.

Enoch Matson, supposed to be the first white child born in Bourbon County, Ky., and a son of one of the patriots who followed Washington in the struggle for national independence, came to the Territory of Missouri in the year 1816, settling in the valley of the Father of Waters near the town of Clarksville, Pike County. The next year he moved to the banks of Peno, a very rapid stream of the county of Joe Bowers, and a little way up that stream built a dam across the water and put up the first gristmill run by water power north of the Missouri River. A tall and smooth bur-oak tree close by was felled, and from this a 50-foot section was taken, which became the apron log of the dam. The mill was operated for many years by the Matson family, and was from far and near visited by the early pioneers and Indians with grist to grind in the making of the ash-cooked pone bread. With the roll of years the mill went to decay, and even the spot was forgotten by many who formerly knew it well.

There was a member of the Matson family in these parts, and one of the descendants of the elder Matson took a party of Ralls friends with him last summer and went hunting for the old dam, with the view of unearthing one of the timbers, from which to make a gavel for Mr. CLARK, so sure were they that he would be elected Speaker and need to control with mallet of oak the unruly Republican minority led by the to-be-deposed CANNON.

After diligent search Mr. A. P. Matson and Warren G. Hatcher, both Clark enthusiasts, discovered the sleeping apron log at the site of the old dam, deeply embedded in sand and water, and cut away a 5-foot section. The timber was well preserved, sound and hearty, and a team of Missouri mules pulled it out into daylight. A local sawmill cut the severed piece into dimension sizes, out of which a gavel has been made for the use of Mr. CLARK and another for the use of Hon. William T. Tagland, judge of the tenth judicial circuit court, and a number of walking sticks have been made. In the early use of this old mill it was a frequent custom of the patrons, in the absence of the owner, to do their own tolling and grinding of the grist by turning on the water which furnished the power for grinding, pouring in the rude hopper the grain to be ground, and then, at another place in the mill, down in the basement, to sack up the ground material. On one occasion, it is related, a neighbor came to the mill and following him was his pack of hounds. While attending to the grinding his attention was called to the fact that his dogs had left him, and the deep distant baying of the hounds told him that game had been found by them. On search it was discovered that the pack were in the basement of the mill with their mouths to the spout, lapping the meal as it slowly came forth. At times the water would slightly fail by getting low, and, the power ceasing, the supply of meal would stop. At this the hounds would set up a howling like Oliver Twist, asking for more. And it is further related that before the process had been discovered the grist was about all gone. Prior to the building of this old mill on Peno Creek by Enoch Matson he brought with him two hand-mill stones used in one of the Carolinas, and these, after being used in Kentucky for a number of years, were brought to Missouri and used until the Peno mill was put up. These faithful old stones, about 18 inches in diameter and 3½ inches thick, are now in the possession of Mr. A. P. Matson, of New London, Mo., and a grandson of the miller, Matson. The site of the old mill is thought by many to be haunted and that Indian spirits still linger around it. The legend runs that many years ago, in the days before the advent of the paleface, a beautiful Indian maiden who lived near the old dam site fell in love with a white man. She unrequited the love of the chief's son, a dashing young brave, and eloped with the white youth. This angered the old chief, and, gathering a number of his braves, he hunted and caught the pair and, after torturing both of them, threw the bodies in the deep water at the dam; hence the lingering spirits and the nightly visits of the phantom beings.

It may be that the span of mules which pulled the 5 feet of apron log out of its hiding place of nearly a century is not the team promised by Col. Luke M. Emerson, of Pike County, Mo., to carry Mr. CLARK down Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington in the event of his election to the seat so long and ably held by Henry Clay, but if they are, though the best in this imperial State, they came very near being lost

in that task by the treacherous quicksand in and about the old mill-dam; it was a narrow escape for team and men.

So Mr. CLARK will have a gavel with a history of love and romance attached; a history of ancient as well as present usefulness; a history of love, hatred, and revenge as well.

The gavel bears a silver plate on its face and handle, and on the larger plate is the following inscription: "Made from apron log of first mill built north of the Missouri River, on Peno, Pike County, by Enoch Matson, in 1817; presented to CHAMP CLARK, first Speaker of the House of Representatives from Missouri, by his constituents in Ralls County, 1911." On the other plate is the following quotation from one of Mr. CLARK's recent speeches and often used by him: "He serves his party best who serves his country well."

With the growth of the country and the clearing of the forest the water supply of Peno Creek became periodically insufficient to run the mill there, and Mr. Matson in after years abandoned this mill and put up another water mill on the bank of Salt River, where he followed the milling business for many years, and the ruins of this second mill are still to be seen.

DAVID WALLACE.

[Applause.]

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, I take pleasure, on behalf of your own constituents, as an evidence of their confidence and esteem, in presenting to you at this time this gavel. [General applause.]

The SPEAKER. The first legislature of the State of Missouri did two remarkable things. The first was to elect David Barton United States Senator unanimously. That performance has been repeated a few times, notably in Michigan on one occasion. Then there was a prolonged deadlock for the other Senatorship. Colonel Thomas Hart Benton, one of the greatest of all American statesmen, Judge J. B. C. Lucas, whose son Benton had killed in a duel, and several other distinguished men were competitors for that place. The fight was intensely bitter. At last the legislature did a thing that has never been duplicated, and in all human probability never will be duplicated. They asked David Barton, the Senator elect, to pick his senatorial mate. He chose Colonel Benton, but the fight was so bitter that even after Barton picked him there was a prolonged struggle.

The legislature was holding its sessions in the lower story of the old St. Louis Hotel, the upper stories being used for hotel purposes. Hon. Daniel Ralls, one of the representatives of Pike County, the county in which I live, was sick unto death in one of the rooms upstairs. In the legislature they lacked 1 vote of having enough to elect Benton on the last ballot they took on Saturday. That night they got a French representative, by the name of Phillip Leduc, out and agonized with him all night to induce him to vote for Benton. He had sworn that he would have his arm cut off at the shoulder before he would do it. They induced him to vote for Benton by stating to him that Benton represented all the French land claimants out there, and Leduc was one of them. At about sun up on Sunday morning he finally agreed to vote for Benton. That would elect Benton, provided Daniel Ralls lived until noon on Monday, and the question uppermost in the public mind of St. Louis that day was to inquire after Daniel Ralls's health. He lived until noon on Monday. Four colored men carried him down into the legislative hall on a mattress. The last act of his life was to vote for Benton. They carried him back upstairs and he was dead within an hour. That legislature, out of gratitude for his services, cut a slice out of Pike County nearest her heart and constituted it into a new county, named Ralls County, in honor of Daniel Ralls.

David Barton and Col. Benton came to Washington and drew straws for the six-year and four-year terms. Benton drew the six-year straw, was reelected four times, and was the first man who ever served 30 years in the Senate of the United States. Senator Barton drew the four-year term, was reelected for six years, quarreled with Gen. Jackson, and that was the end of him, as it was of most men who quarreled with Gen. Jackson. Benton had nothing to do with promising Leduc assistance about the French land-grant claims, knew nothing about it, and so soon as he was elected called his clients together, retired from the cases, and refused even to nominate an attorney to succeed himself, on the ground that he might have to vote in the Senate on the subject; so jealous was he of his honor and reputation.

There is no better citizenship on the face of the earth than the people who live in the ninth congressional district of Missouri. [Applause.] The elder Matson, one of Washington's soldiers, who went out there a pioneer, was a type of the pioneers who settled that country, and it is fitting, meet, and proper to reflect on the simple beginning of that mill, which has developed into the splendid civilization that exists there now. I am not very old, but I myself have ridden astride of a horse on a sack of corn to an old-fashioned horse mill. [Applause.]

I thank the people of Ralls County for presenting to me this gavel. I will treasure it so long as I live and then transmit it

to my son. I hope my friends in Ralls will be as enthusiastic about me when I finally lay it down as they are now.

With honest pride the gift I take,  
And prize it for the givers' sake.

[Applause.]

MESSANGER TO SPEAKER'S TABLE.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, I move to reconsider the vote by which we passed the resolution (H. Res. 31) on yesterday afternoon affecting the messenger at the table of the Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Missouri moves to reconsider the resolution passed concerning the messenger at the Speaker's desk yesterday.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw the resolution.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Missouri asks unanimous consent to withdraw the resolution. Is there objection? There was no objection.

REVISION AND CODIFICATION OF THE LAWS.

Mr. SHERLEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the resolution which I send to the Clerk's desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 68) to create a joint committee to continue the consideration of the revision and codification of the laws of the United States.

*Resolved, etc.,* That a special joint committee be appointed, consisting of five Senators, to be appointed by the Vice President, and five Members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker, to examine, consider, and submit to Congress recommendations upon the revision and codification of laws reported by the statutory revision commission heretofore authorized to revise and codify the laws of the United States, including all laws of a general nature, permanent in character, passed since the submission to Congress on December 15, 1906, of the final report of said commission; and that the said joint commission be authorized to sit during the recess of Congress and to employ necessary assistants, to order such printing and binding done as may be required in the transaction of its business, and to incur such expense as may be deemed necessary; all such expenses to be paid in equal proportions from the contingent funds of the Senate and House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

Mr. MANN. Reserving the right to object, I should like to ask the gentleman first whether the resolution limits the duration of the commission to this Congress?

Mr. SHERLEY. The resolution is in the exact form that has been twice approved and passed by previous Congresses, and is, in the contemplation of myself and the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. Moon], intended to continue the commission only for the life of this Congress.

Mr. MANN. The gentleman understands, of course, as we all do, that it has been supposed that the joint commission heretofore created expired with the end of the Congress. If this is in the precise language of the former resolution, I have no objection to it, although on its face it would seem to create a commission which would exist hereafter.

Mr. SHERLEY. It is absolutely in the language of the former resolution and is not intended to create a commission to live beyond the life of this Congress.

Mr. OLMSTED. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I would like to ask if I correctly understood the gentleman from Kentucky to say that this committee is to be appointed by the Speaker?

Mr. SHERLEY. It is a joint committee, to be appointed from the Members of the Senate by the President of the Senate and from the Members of the House by the Speaker of the House, being a select committee and therefore not in contravention of the rule adopted yesterday.

Mr. OLMSTED. I have not the slightest objection to the appointment of the committee by the Speaker, but it seems to me that, to be in harmony with the doctrine advocated yesterday by that side of the House, the committee ought to be elected by the House.

Mr. SHERLEY. I suggest to the gentleman from Pennsylvania that if he will read the rule with some degree of care he will not make that statement.

Mr. OLMSTED. I have read the rule and heard the speeches, and I think, in order to be consistent with the doctrine there advocated, the committee should be elected by the House and not appointed by the Speaker. Personally, I have no objection to the appointment by the Speaker.

Mr. MANN. Is it not a fact that the rule presented and adopted yesterday did provide for the election of the House Members to the Joint Committee on the Disposition of Unexpended Papers, of which the gentleman from Maryland is one of the honored members, and has been acting in the past by virtue of the law which provides that the Speaker shall appoint that committee?



Mr. SHERLEY. If the gentleman's statement be accurate, it is sufficient answer to say that this is a joint committee designated for a special purpose and for a limited time.

Mr. MANN. I think it would be a sufficient answer to say that this is correct, and that the House yesterday made an unintentional mistake, because it was not informed on a particular subject.

Mr. BUTLER rose.

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman from Kentucky yield to the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

Mr. SHERLEY. Certainly.

Mr. BUTLER. About how much will it cost the Government to maintain this commission?

Mr. SHERLEY. I can tell the gentleman what it has cost and what it should cost. It has cost for four years about \$15,000 a year. But it is fair to say on behalf of those who had charge of the joint committee—and they were members of the gentleman's own party—that there was considerable work done that will simplify very materially the work to be done in this Congress. It is also fair to say to the gentleman that not in a generation have two bills of such magnitude, embracing such a wide field, been passed as what was known as the penal code bill and the judiciary title bill.

Mr. BUTLER. I think the country and the House gave the gentleman's committee full credit for the passage of those bills. I will ask the gentleman, further, what use is there for this commission now?

Mr. SHERLEY. It is not a commission, if the gentleman will permit me. A commission existed some years ago, and upon my motion was abolished. What is now created is simply a joint committee of the House and the Senate, the purpose being to enable both the Senate and the House Members to act in concert, the matter being largely codification and revision, and by acting in concert to have the two Houses consider the matter practically at the same time, and thus make possible the enactment of this very important legislation.

Mr. BUTLER. It is not contemplated that the commission shall last longer than this term of Congress?

Mr. SHERLEY. As I have said, it is not a commission, but simply a committee of the House and of the Senate with the power of sitting together.

Mr. FINLEY. Will the gentleman from Kentucky yield?

Mr. SHERLEY. Certainly.

Mr. FINLEY. What is to be accomplished by this joint committee?

Mr. SHERLEY. I answer the gentleman by saying that it is a continuation of the work heretofore done. We have now passed the penal code, which embraces all the penal laws of a general nature; we have passed that part of the judicial title which relates to the organization of the courts. We have yet remaining that part of the judiciary title which affects procedure, and we then have the Federal statutes on such subjects as internal-revenue law, the customs law, the Navy Department, the War Department, and various other departments.

It was contemplated in the beginning and it is hoped now by continuing this work to put within three or four small volumes the entire statute law of the United States that now must be sought for in forty-odd different volumes.

Mr. FINLEY. Why can not the Committee on the Judiciary do that work?

Mr. SHERLEY. I will answer the gentleman by saying that, unquestionably, it could do it as well as could the Committee on Military Affairs, or any other committee, but this Committee on Revision of the Laws was created because its duty is not so much, as is the duty of the Committee on the Judiciary, to create new law as to codify, and every codification that has been made of United States law, and all that I know of that have been made in the States, have been made by special committees created for the purpose of codifying.

Mr. FINLEY. The gentleman says that it will cost about \$15,000 a year.

Mr. SHERLEY. I said it had.

Mr. FINLEY. What will it cost?

Mr. SHERLEY. My own judgment is that in the future it will cost considerably less than that. I can not answer definitely, and simply answer the gentleman in this way. The work that committee does is of the very highest order and the clerical help, if it is to be of any value, must be of a high grade.

Mr. FINLEY. What is the nature of the expense?

Mr. SHERLEY. The nature of the expense is the employment of clerical and legal aid of a highly trained character. You can not get high-grade men at small salaries to do high-grade work. A mistake in this codification might cost the Government untold sums of money. It may cause confusion in

all the courts of the land, and it is small economy to deny to a committee the proper aid.

Mr. FINLEY. What are some of the salaries paid to the help for this joint committee?

Mr. SHERLEY. Heretofore there has been one man who has been sent by the Department of Justice, who was paid \$5,000 a year.

Mr. FINLEY. What is his name?

Mr. SHERLEY. His name is Locke. One man has been employed at the instance of the Senate, who has been paid \$5,000 a year.

Mr. FINLEY. What is his name?

Mr. SHERLEY. Heyburn. There have been two other clerks and stenographers who have been employed from time to time. Now, it is my intention that there shall not be employed at this work, outside of occasional stenographic work which might have to be done, beyond three men.

Mr. FINLEY. Who appoints these gentlemen?

Mr. SHERLEY. It is left with the joint committee. They have been appointed heretofore by the joint committee upon the motion of the chairman of the House committee, the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. Moon], and the Senator from Idaho [Mr. Heyburn].

Mr. FINLEY. Mr. Speaker, I object.

Mr. SHERLEY. Then, Mr. Speaker, I move to pass the resolution just read.

Mr. FINLEY. Mr. Speaker, I demand the regular order.

Mr. OLMSTED. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman from Kentucky will permit, I desire to say that if he makes a motion to pass this resolution, I would have to make a point of order. It is not privileged, so far as I can see. If it is a question of unanimous consent, that is something else.

Mr. SHERLEY. What else is there ahead of it in privilege?

Mr. OLMSTED. I do not know that there is anybody objecting. I would like to ask the gentleman another question, and that is whether the Committee on Revision of the Laws has a clerk?

Mr. SHERLEY. The Committee on the Revision of the Laws, I understand, has a clerk.

Mr. OLMSTED. What will he be doing while these high-priced clerks are doing the work?

Mr. SHERLEY. The gentleman will have to ask a member of the Committee on Revision of the Laws.

Mr. OLMSTED. Why can not the Committee on the Revision of the Laws of the House and the Committee on the Revision of the Laws of the Senate prepare and report this bill just as well as the committee the gentleman seeks to have appointed?

Mr. SHERLEY. I can tell the gentleman why it did not do it. In the old days, when you had a House and Senate committee, the result simply was that they acted without any degree of concert, and frequently matter was considered in one House that had not been considered by the committee in the other body, and before the proper committee could consider matter that runs into hundreds of pages, and frequently thousands of pages, the session of Congress had died. Now, it was for the purpose of facilitating this enactment that we created a joint committee, and the result was that whereas you had these committees for a decade and had no legislation, the moment you created a joint committee, that seriously went to work, inside of four years, in two Congresses, they have codified two of the most important branches of the general law.

Mr. OLMSTED. Would the gentleman from Kentucky be willing to limit the salaries to be paid to these clerks or the number of clerks to be employed?

Mr. SHERLEY. I have no objection, but it seems to me to be hardly gracious on the part of the gentleman from Pennsylvania—

Mr. OLMSTED. I merely—

Mr. SHERLEY (continuing). That when his colleague [Mr. Moon of Pennsylvania] offered this resolution it was left to his discretion, and now the gentleman requests that there shall be put in this resolution a requirement that the salaries shall be limited.

Mr. OLMSTED. When the gentleman from Pennsylvania offered the resolution, it was objected to from that side, and now that we have entered upon an era of economy I want to see how it is working.

Mr. SHERLEY. It went through twice without objection from this side. Now, as far as I am concerned, I simply say to the House that for my part I have no desire that a dollar should be expended that is not needed, and I submit to any man here who has ever been engaged in work of this magnitude that it is not work that can be successfully done by cheap men.

Mr. FINLEY. Mr. Speaker, I demand the regular order.

Mr. MONDELL. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield for a question?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from South Carolina demands the regular order.

Mr. FINLEY. I have objected.

Mr. SHERLEY. Mr. Speaker, I have moved, if I am recognized, that the resolution be adopted.

Mr. FINLEY. Mr. Speaker, I make the point of order that that motion is not in order.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will hear the gentleman from South Carolina on his point of order.

Mr. FINLEY. Mr. Speaker, this is a matter that proposes to appoint a joint committee. The gentleman from Kentucky has asked unanimous consent for the consideration of this resolution. Objection was made. Then the gentleman moved that the joint committee be appointed; so, Mr. Speaker, this is the morning hour—I do not make the point that this committee—

Mr. CULLOP. Mr. Speaker, may I ask the gentleman a question?

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman from South Carolina yield to the gentleman from Indiana?

Mr. FINLEY. Yes.

Mr. CULLOP. I desire to ask the mover of this resolution a question bearing on it. Was not there a commission appointed some time in 1897 or 1898 for the purpose of codifying the laws?

Mr. SHERLEY. There was and that commission—

Mr. CULLOP. And at large salaries?

Mr. SHERLEY. And that commission was abolished, on my motion, because it seemed never to come any nearer to finishing its work.

Mr. CULLOP. They never did anything except draw their salaries.

Mr. SHERLEY. And because this work had to be gone all over again we abolished that expensive commission, and we created a joint committee. I do not know a Member of this House who was a Member of previous Congresses but who knows there has been labor of the very greatest magnitude performed by that joint committee.

Mr. CULLOP. That is what they are elected for, I presume.

Mr. FINLEY. Now, Mr. Speaker, this matter brought up at this time is to appoint a special joint committee. The committees of the House are provided for, and while I do not make the point it is out of order to appoint this special committee in this way—I do not make that point—but I make the point it is not in order at this time. It is not business properly in order during the morning hour and besides that it is a matter that is not necessary from any standpoint—

Mr. SHERLEY. Mr. Speaker, I make the point of order that the gentleman is not speaking to his point of order.

Mr. FINLEY. Well, I make the point of order the gentleman does not know what he is talking about. [Laughter.]

Mr. CARLIN. Mr. Speaker, a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state it.

Mr. CARLIN. As this is a change of statute law it occurs to me under the rule it would have to be referred to a committee, and I therefore make the point of order that this ought to go to a committee.

Mr. SHERLEY. Mr. Speaker, I will be perfectly fair to the Chair, I do not think it is in order under the point of order made by the gentleman from Virginia.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thinks that the point of order made by the gentleman from Virginia is well taken. Clause 3, Rule 22, provides that resolutions shall be introduced by delivering them to the Speaker. The point of order is sustained.

#### RATIFICATION OF INCOME-TAX AMENDMENT.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communications announcing the ratification of the constitutional amendment relative to the taxation of incomes:

STATE OF IOWA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
Des Moines, March 16, 1911.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE,  
Congress of United States, Washington, D. C.

SIR: By direction of Gov. Carroll, of Iowa, I am inclosing herewith certified copy of a joint resolution passed by our last general assembly, and relating to the income-tax amendment.

Respectfully, yours,

C. C. NYE,  
Secretary to the Governor.

STATE OF IOWA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, greeting:

I, B. F. CARROLL, governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby certify that the attached document is a true and correct copy of a joint resolution known as house joint resolution No. 1; that the same has passed both houses of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa and has been approved by me as governor of the State.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and have caused to be affixed an impression of the great seal of the State of Iowa.

Done at Des Moines, the capital of the State, this 15th day of March,

A. D. 1911.

[SEAL.]

B. F. CARROLL,  
Governor of Iowa.

Attest:

W. C. HAYWARD,  
Secretary of State.

Joint resolution ratifying the amendment to the Constitution of the United States proposed by Congress as the sixteenth amendment thereto, relative to laying and collecting a tax on income.

Whereas both Houses of the Sixty-first Congress of the United States of America, at its first session, by a constitutional majority of two-thirds thereof, made the following proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States of America in the following words, to wit:

"A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

"Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States, shall be valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution:

"ARTICLE XVI. The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration."

Therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That the said proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America be, and the same is hereby, ratified by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa; and be it further

Resolved, That certified copies of this joint resolution be forwarded by the governor of this State to the Secretary of State at Washington and to presiding officers of each House of the National Congress.

PAUL E. STILLMAN,  
Speaker of the House.  
GEORGE W. CLARKE,  
President of the Senate.

I hereby certify that this joint resolution originated in the house, and is known as house joint resolution No. 1.

C. R. BENEDICT,  
Chief Clerk of the House.

Approved, February 27, 1911.

B. F. CARROLL, Governor.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
Lansing, March 17, 1911.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, D. C.

SIR: Under separate registered mail I am forwarding you house joint resolution No. 1 of the Michigan Legislature of 1911 relative to taxation of incomes and ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

SHEHAM R. OAKES,  
Secretary to the Governor.

House joint resolution 1—Relative to the taxing of incomes and ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Whereas the Congress of the United States, after solemn and mature deliberation therein, has, by a vote of two-thirds of both houses, passed a concurrent resolution, submitting to the legislatures of the several States a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States, which resolution is in the following words:

"Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States, shall be valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution:

"ARTICLE XVI. The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States and without regard to any census or enumeration."

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That in the name and behalf of the people of this State, we do hereby ratify, approve, and assent to the said amendment.

Resolved, That a copy of this assent and ratification, engrossed on parchment, be transmitted by his excellency the governor to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, and to the Secretary of State of the United States.

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the house of representatives January 19, 1911.

H. F. BAKER,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.  
PAUL H. KING,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the senate February 23, 1911.

JOHN Q. ROSS,  
President of the Senate.  
E. V. CHILSON,  
Secretary of the Senate.

Attest:

CHASE S. OSBORNE, Governor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY.

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, as the committees are not made up yet, and I wish to give time to the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. MANN] to make up his list of committees, I move that when the House adjourns to-day it adjourns to meet on Monday next.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Alabama moves that when the House adjourns to-day it adjourns to meet on Monday next.

The motion was agreed to.



## ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. UNDERWOOD. I move that the House do now adjourn. The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 41 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until Monday, April 10, 1911, at 12 o'clock m.

## EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, a letter from the Librarian of Congress, transmitting a special report relating to the establishment of a Legislative Reference Bureau (S. Doc. No. 7), was taken from the Speaker's table, referred to the Committee on the Library, and ordered to be printed.

## PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. GOEKE: A bill (H. R. 2576) for the erection of a public building at St. Marys, Ohio; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. CLARK of Florida: A bill (H. R. 2577) to provide for the erection of a public building at the city of De Land, Fla.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2578) to provide for the erection of a public building at the city of St. Augustine, Fla.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2579) to provide for the erection of a public building at Sanford, Fla.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2580) to provide for the erection of a public building at Orlando, Fla.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2581) to provide for the erection of a public building at Live Oak, Fla.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2582) to prohibit the intermarriage of persons of the white and negro races within the District of Columbia; to declare such contracts of marriage null and void; to prescribe punishments for violations and attempts to violate its provisions; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. NYE: A bill (H. R. 2583) relating to the assessment of personal property within the District of Columbia; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2584) regulating wages in the District of Columbia; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. CLAYTON: A bill (H. R. 2585) to repeal section 3480 of the Revised Statutes of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ADAIR: A bill (H. R. 2586) granting pensions to certain enlisted men, soldiers and officers, who served in the Civil War and the War with Mexico; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. COX of Ohio: A bill (H. R. 2587) to improve and perpetuate the site of old Fort Hamilton; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. FOSS: A bill (H. R. 2588) to promote the efficiency of the Naval Militia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. RUSSELL: A bill (H. R. 2589) granting pensions to certain enlisted men, soldiers and officers, who served in the Civil War and the War with Mexico; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DRAPER: A bill (H. R. 2590) to provide for the erection of a public building at Hoosick Falls, N. Y.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. BLACKMON: A bill (H. R. 2591) to amend the acts to regulate commerce so as to provide that interstate railroads may grant free or reduced transportation to agents and employees of the Cooperative Farm Demonstration Work of the Department of Agriculture; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. POST: A bill (H. R. 2592) to provide for the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building thereon at Washington Court House, in the State of Ohio; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. WHITE: A bill (H. R. 2593) to amend an act authorizing the Secretary of War to erect headstones over the graves of Union soldiers who have been interred in private, village, or city cemeteries, as approved February 3, 1870; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. ESTOPINAL: A bill (H. R. 2594) providing for the appointment of an additional professor of mathematics in the Navy; to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. BURLESON: A bill (H. R. 2595) putting bagging for cotton, gunny cloth, and similar fabrics, suitable for covering cotton, composed of single yarns made in whole or in part of jute, jute butts, hemp, seg, Russian seg, New Zealand tow, aloë or mill waste on the free list; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2596) putting grain, buff, split, rough, and sole leather, boots and shoes made wholly or in chief value from cattle hides or cattle skins, and harness, saddles, and saddlery, in sets or in parts, finished or unfinished, composed wholly or in chief value of leather, band, bend, or belting leather, on the free list; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2597) putting salt imported into the United States on the free list; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2598) putting wire nails or staples made of wrought iron or steel, horseshoe nails, horse or mule shoes, made of wrought iron or steel, round iron or steel wire not smaller than No. 13 wire gauge, and round iron or steel wire smaller than No. 13 and not smaller than No. 16 wire gauge, and barbed fence wire, and hoop or band iron, or hoop or band steel, cut to lengths, or wholly or partly manufactured into hoops or ties, coated or not coated with paint or any other preparation, with or without buckles or fastenings, for baling cotton or any other commodity, on the free list; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RAKER: A bill (H. R. 2599) for the erection of a public building at the city of Red Bluff, State of California, and appropriating moneys therefor; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. BATES: A bill (H. R. 2600) authorizing that commission of ensign be given midshipmen upon graduation from the Naval Academy; to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. GOEKE: A bill (H. R. 2601) for the erection of a public building at Delphos, Ohio; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. JONES: A bill (H. R. 2602) to repeal section 3480 of the Revised Statutes of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROTHERMEL: A bill (H. R. 2603) to increase the limit of cost for the enlargement of the Federal building at Reading, Pa.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. Sisson: A bill (H. R. 2604) to provide for repaying the rightful owners, their heirs or legal representatives, the proceeds of the tax illegally collected by the United States on cotton during the years 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, and 1868, and for the disposition of such proceeds as may remain unclaimed and unawarded; to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2605) to authorize a survey of Yallahusha River, Miss.; to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2606) to provide a punishment for the procuring of a special retail liquor license under an assumed or fictitious name, etc.; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2607) to provide for the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building thereon at Winona, in the State of Mississippi; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2608) to increase the compensation of rural letter carriers; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2609) to provide for the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building thereon at Water Valley, in the State of Mississippi; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2610) to tax the manufacture and sale of deadly weapons and to tax the manufacture and sale of all cartridges; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RAKER: A bill (H. R. 2611) authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to grant and regrant all right, title, and interest of the United States of, in, and to all that particular tract of land known as the "Settling Basin," in Yuba County, Cal., which was obtained from James O'Brien by deed dated December 6, 1901, to James O'Brien, the original grantor thereof, and his heirs and assigns, upon repayment therefor to the United States of a certain amount; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. RAINEY: Resolution (H. Res. 32) providing for an investigation of the Panama purchase; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SULZER: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 40) providing for the termination of the treaty between the United States of America and Russia concluded at St. Petersburg, December 18, 1832; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Sisson: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 41) directing the Attorney General to submit to the Supreme Court all information available bearing upon the validity of the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the Constitution of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Cox of Ohio: A memorial from the Legislature of Ohio to define the law against polygamy as clearly as the law is defined against bigamy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ADAIR: A bill (H. R. 2612) granting an increase of pension to James G. Demint; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2613) granting an increase of pension to Henry T. Addington; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2614) granting an increase of pension to Frederick S. Wilson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2615) granting an increase of pension to Peter Grimes; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2616) granting an increase of pension to William J. Davisson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2617) granting an increase of pension to James E. Ashvill; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2618) granting an increase of pension to Nathan N. Spence; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2619) granting an increase of pension to Edward F. Reed; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2620) granting an increase of pension to Ninyon McCurdy; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2621) granting an increase of pension to Thomas A. Stone; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ASHBROOK: A bill (H. R. 2622) granting an increase of pension to Michael Moss; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2623) granting an increase of pension to William Wince; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2624) granting an increase of pension to Fred H. Wilson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2625) granting an increase of pension to Albert P. Merkel; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2626) granting an increase of pension to Solomon D. Stutz; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. BRADLEY: A bill (H. R. 2627) for the relief of Dean Sage, executor of the estate of Charles Backman, deceased; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. BOEHNE: A bill (H. R. 2628) granting an increase of pension to Robert Edmondson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2629) granting an increase of pension to Joseph D. Barber; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2630) granting an increase of pension to William Jones; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2631) granting an increase of pension to Alexander H. Mills; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. COX of Indiana: A bill (H. R. 2632) for the relief of the heirs of Alois Kodalle, deceased; to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. DRAPER: A bill (H. R. 2633) granting an increase of pension to William Reer; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2634) granting an increase of pension to J. E. Worster; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ESTOPINAL: A bill (H. R. 2635) for the relief of the heirs of Myra Clark Gaines, deceased; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. HAMILTON of West Virginia: A bill (H. R. 2636) granting an increase of pension to David Amos; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2637) granting an increase of pension to James Walker; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. KINKEAD of New Jersey: A bill (H. R. 2638) granting an increase of pension to Thomas Jennings; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LAFFAN: A bill (H. R. 2639) to correct the military record of George W. Stape; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. LANGHAM: A bill (H. R. 2640) granting an increase of pension to Taylor D. Rhines; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2641) granting an increase of pension to Johnson J. Miller; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2642) granting an increase of pension to Lucien H. Young; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2643) granting an increase of pension to Michael A. Overdorff; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2644) granting an increase of pension to Daniel W. Young; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LEE of Pennsylvania: A bill (H. R. 2645) granting an increase of pension to Thomas Reid; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. NYE: A bill (H. R. 2646) granting a pension to Wilson C. Winslow; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2647) granting a pension to Olive R. Sprague; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2648) granting a pension to Nora C. Reid; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2649) granting a pension to Nicholas Murphy; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2650) granting a pension to Charles J. Meggison; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2651) granting a pension to Mathew M. Ledwien; to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2652) granting a pension to Johanna Krumholz; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2653) granting a pension to Alice W. Jackson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2654) granting a pension to Imogene P. Ingersoll; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2655) granting a pension to Sophia M. Hutchins; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2656) granting a pension to Mary E. Hitchcock; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2657) granting a pension to Conrad Guenther; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2658) granting a pension to Dudley C. Griswold; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2659) granting a pension to Francis M. Goodman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2660) granting a pension to Julia Dudley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2661) granting a pension to Eugenia A. Dennis; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2662) granting a pension to Wilba E. Davis; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2663) granting a pension to Emeline R. Bishop; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2664) granting a pension to Henry Beckett; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2665) granting a pension to Charles Almen-dinger; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2666) granting an increase of pension to Patrick Magrath; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2667) granting an increase of pension to Charles A. Wyeth; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2668) granting an increase of pension to Roderick M. Woodville; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2669) granting an increase of pension to C. H. Woodburn; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2670) granting an increase of pension to William H. White; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2671) granting an increase of pension to Joseph Whitcomb; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2672) granting an increase of pension to George B. Whidden; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2673) granting an increase of pension to George P. Wassman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2674) granting an increase of pension to George Washington; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2675) granting an increase of pension to David S. Waltermire; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2676) granting an increase of pension to James W. Walsh; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2677) granting an increase of pension to Oliver E. Tillotson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2678) granting an increase of pension to David P. R. Strong; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2679) granting an increase of pension to David R. Shockey; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2680) granting an increase of pension to Elizabeth M. Rutherford; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2681) granting an increase of pension to Volney P. Roberts; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.



Also, a bill (H. R. 2682) granting an increase of pension to Theophile Rainville; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2683) granting an increase of pension to Alphonso C. Pray; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2684) granting an increase of pension to Clinton E. Olmstead; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2685) granting an increase of pension to Charles H. Norred; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2686) granting an increase of pension to William J. Newton; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2687) granting an increase of pension to Eben S. Nason; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2688) granting an increase of pension to Columbus G. Myers; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2689) granting an increase of pension to Clement Moore; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2690) granting an increase of pension to Cyrus B. Miller; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2691) granting an increase of pension to William F. Merriam; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2692) granting an increase of pension to Albert D. Malin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2693) granting an increase of pension to Samuel B. McGuire; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2694) granting an increase of pension to Jay McDonald; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2695) granting an increase of pension to Clement Lovely; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2696) granting an increase of pension to Hugh Longstaff; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2697) granting an increase of pension to Albert E. Longman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2698) granting an increase of pension to Mary Lee; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2699) granting an increase of pension to William H. Leavitt; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2700) granting an increase of pension to Eben Kneeland; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2701) granting an increase of pension to William G. Johnson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2702) granting an increase of pension to Stanley H. Husted; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2703) granting an increase of pension to Charles Hull; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2704) granting an increase of pension to John Hodge; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2705) granting an increase of pension to Joseph B. Hardy; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2706) granting an increase of pension to Torger Hanson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2707) granting an increase of pension to Frank Hall; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2708) granting an increase of pension to Theodore Golden; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2709) granting an increase of pension to Daniel W. Getchell; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2710) granting an increase of pension to Eben E. Fuller; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2711) granting an increase of pension to Dana S. Fuller; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2712) granting an increase of pension to George M. Fry; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2713) granting an increase of pension to Augusta Fels; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2714) granting an increase of pension to Chester Durfee; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2715) granting an increase of pension to William J. Denney; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2716) granting an increase of pension to Burnett W. Davison; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2717) granting an increase of pension to Chauncey W. Curtis; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2718) granting an increase of pension to George L. Crosier; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2719) granting an increase of pension to Silas E. Crandall; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2720) granting an increase of pension to George D. Corp; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2721) granting an increase of pension to Bernard Cloutier; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2722) granting an increase of pension to George W. Chilson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2723) granting an increase of pension to Tobias Cederstrom; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2724) granting an increase of pension to John Carter; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2725) granting an increase of pension to Benjamin F. Butler; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2726) granting an increase of pension to Alexander A. Bates; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2727) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of William Alonzo Williams; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2728) to correct the military record of Silas Overmire; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2729) to correct the military record of Patrick Mullen; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2730) to correct the military record of Edwin F. McDonald; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2731) to correct the military record of Constant Livery; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2732) to correct the military record of George E. Day; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2733) to correct the military record of James H. Bishop; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2734) to correct the military record of Calvin R. Benton; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2735) to correct the military record of Robert Abernethy; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. OLDFIELD: A bill (H. R. 2736) granting an increase of pension to William H. Bell; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. POST: A bill (H. R. 2737) granting an increase of pension to Lott D. Hull; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2738) granting an increase of pension to Isaac N. Bonham; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2739) granting a pension to Theodore Shockley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RAKER: A bill (H. R. 2740) to correct the military record of A. W. Hubbard; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2741) to correct the military record of James M. Wiley; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2742) to correct the military record of James M. Wiley; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2743) to correct the military record of William C. B. Gillman; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2744) to correct the military record of Charles D. Morse; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2745) granting an increase of pension to William H. Thompson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2746) granting a pension to William I. Armstrong; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2747) granting a pension to Daniel P. Carter; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2748) granting an increase of pension to George Goodpastor; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2749) granting an increase of pension to Henry Wise; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2750) granting a pension to Samuel Pollock; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RUSSELL: A bill (H. R. 2751) granting a pension to William Bleckwendt; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2752) granting an increase of pension to Francis M. Sharp; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ROUSE: A bill (H. R. 2753) granting a pension to Peter M. Clause; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2754) granting a pension to Robert A. Boyd; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2755) granting a pension to Elizabeth Bingham; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2756) granting a pension to Herman Beyland; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2757) granting a pension to Lydia M. Butler; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2758) granting a pension to Thornton Bailey; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2759) granting a pension to Henry D. Bender; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2760) granting a pension to Henry H. Cook; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2761) granting a pension to Emily Crooks; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2762) granting a pension to Eliza J. Cameron; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2763) granting a pension to Daniel L. Cunningham; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 2764) granting a pension to James C. Darrell; to the Committee on Pensions.

- Also, a bill (H. R. 2765) granting a pension to Sarah E. Dean; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2766) granting a pension to William Dickson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2767) granting a pension to Nettie Eckler; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2768) granting a pension to William Fortner; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2769) granting a pension to Alberta E. Fleming; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2770) granting a pension to Mary Graham; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2771) granting a pension to Betsy Hare; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2772) granting a pension to Catherine Hart; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2773) granting a pension to Anna K. Harris; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2774) granting a pension to Thomas Johnson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2775) granting a pension to William H. Litter; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2776) granting a pension to Herbert Montgomery; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2777) granting a pension to W. H. Mullins; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2778) granting a pension to Elizabeth Moore; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2779) granting a pension to W. B. May; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2780) granting a pension to James W. Mullins; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2781) granting a pension to Florence Meader; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2782) granting a pension to Sarah Moore; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2783) granting a pension to William McCormack; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2784) granting a pension to Bridget M. Perry; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2785) granting a pension to Coleman Reynolds; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2786) granting a pension to Clara A. Ritter; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2787) granting a pension to Henrietta B. Rogers; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2788) granting a pension to David E. Redman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2789) granting a pension to Caroline Siebenthaler; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2790) granting a pension to Retta S. Snowden; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2791) granting a pension to Alexander Sanders; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2792) granting a pension to Margaret Sylvester; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2793) granting a pension to Josiah J. Salmons; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2794) granting a pension to Albert C. Skillman; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2795) granting a pension to Frank Taphorn; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2796) granting a pension to Thomas B. Youtsey; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2797) granting a pension to Augusta Wegford; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2798) granting a pension to Maria M. Wandelohr; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2799) granting a pension to Rachael E. Yager and two infant heirs, Thomas Yager and Ellick Yager; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2800) granting a pension to Henry Wehrmann; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2801) granting a pension to Alpheus L. Woodard; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2802) granting an increase of pension to Jacob Bethel; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2803) granting an increase of pension to Norval L. Bennett; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2804) granting an increase of pension to Uriah Bickers; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2805) granting an increase of pension to Francis M. Bristow; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2806) granting an increase of pension to James Davis; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2807) granting an increase of pension to D. B. Finnell; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2808) granting an increase of pension to George G. Hughes; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2809) granting an increase of pension to W. S. Hardin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2810) granting an increase of pension to Mary Kearns; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2811) granting an increase of pension to Lewis Michael; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2812) granting an increase of pension to Walter McDaniel; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2813) granting an increase of pension to Julius A. Pherson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2814) granting an increase of pension to Simon Schmitt; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2815) granting an increase of pension to William Selhorst; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2816) granting an increase of pension to Joseph Thompson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2817) granting an increase of pension to Julius Walker; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2818) for the relief of Thomas Callahan; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2819) for the relief of John A. Cassell; to the Committee on Military Affairs.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2820) for the relief of Jerry Carpenter; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2821) for the relief of John Armstrong, jr.; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2822) for the relief of Caroline Holder Harrell; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2823) for the relief of John W. McKibben; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2824) for the relief of L. M. Northcutt; to the Committee on Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2825) for the relief of John Riley; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2826) to remove the charge of desertion against Conrad Seither; to the Committee on Military Affairs.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2827) for the relief of the heirs of James M. Anderson; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2828) for the relief of the heirs of the late John Hawkins; to the Committee on War Claims.
- By Mr. Sisson: A bill (H. R. 2829) granting an increase of pension to Mary Rebecca Carroll; to the Committee on Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2830) for the relief of Mrs. P. A. Eskridge; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2831) for the relief of the heirs of Stephen Daggett, deceased, Julia D. Harris, administratrix; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2832) for the relief of the heirs of William Price, deceased; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2833) for the relief of the estate of Phereby R. Sheppard, deceased; to the Committee on War Claims.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2834) for the relief of the legal representatives of John Lewis Tindall, deceased; to the Committee on War Claims.
- By Mr. J. M. C. Smith: A bill (H. R. 2835) granting an increase of pension to Frederick Warren; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2836) granting an increase of pension to Alvan G. Fleury; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2837) granting an increase of pension to Samuel B. Carson; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2838) granting an increase of pension to Judson F. Snyder; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2839) for the relief of William Hommelsberg; to the Committee on Military Affairs.
- By Mr. Sulloway: A bill (H. R. 2840) granting an increase of pension to John Blake; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2841) granting an increase of pension to Israel Fletcher; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2842) granting an increase of pension to Sewell L. Day; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2843) granting an increase of pension to Silas H. Bradley; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- Also, a bill (H. R. 2844) granting an increase of pension to Joseph G. Marsh; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.
- By Mr. Thayer: A bill (H. R. 2845) for the relief of William T. Thacher; to the Committee on Military Affairs.



## PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. ASHBROOK: Petition of F. M. Barnhart and 27 other farmers, of Lodi, Ohio, in opposition to the Canadian reciprocity treaty; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. AYRES: Petition protesting against the indignities practiced on American citizens returning to their homes by the New York customhouse; to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

By Mr. BATHRICK: Protest of Williamsfield (Ohio) Grange, No. 1654; Burton Grange, No. 1580, of Burton, Ohio; and Saybrook (Ohio) Grange, No. 1739, against Canadian reciprocity; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, resolutions of Farmers' Institute, of Thompson, Ohio, praying for a parcels post, and election of Senators by direct vote, etc.; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. BOEHNE: Petition asking for a more liberal procedure on the part of the Patent Office in granting patents; to the Committee on Patents.

By Mr. COX of Ohio: Resolutions adopted by the directors of the National Tariff Commission Association and heartily approved and indorsed by the executive committee of the Dayton Chamber of Commerce, urging the enactment of a satisfactory law creating a permanent Tariff Board; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of John F. Godfrey Post, No. 93, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of California, located at Pasadena, urging the passage of Sulloway bill; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DRAPER: Papers to accompany bill for relief of J. E. Worster; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FULLER: Petition of citizens of Spring Valley, Ill., asking for the creation of a department of public health; to the Committee on Expenditures in the Interior Department.

Also, petition of committees of wholesale grocers of New York, favoring reduction of duty on sugar, and petition of the American Paper & Pulp Association, concerning the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreement; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GARDNER of Massachusetts: Resolutions from the Philo-Celtic Society of Haverhill, Mass., opposing any efforts looking toward arbitration between the United States and Great Britain; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GUERNSEY: Resolutions passed by the Pomona Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, Aroostook County, Presque Isle, Me.; S. P. Archibald and others, of Monticello, Me.; S. S. Dudley and others, of Mapleton, Me.; Foster Gove and others, of Perry, county of Washington, Me.; protesting against the passage of the reciprocity agreement with Canada; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HAMMOND: Petition of Anderson & Buscho and 20 others, of Wells, Minn., protesting against the establishment of local rural parcels-post system; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

Also, petition of 60 citizens of Brush Creek Township, of Faribault County, Minn., protesting against establishment of free trade with Canada; and resolutions of the Rotary Club, of St. Paul, favoring a reciprocal trade agreement with the Dominion of Canada; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HENRY of Texas: Petition of Seattle Local, No. 2285, Farmers' Union, of Texas, asking for the enactment of a parcels-post law; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. NYE: Resolutions passed by the Rotary Club, of St. Paul, Minn., favoring reciprocity with Canada; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. POST: Petition of American Woman's League, of London, Ohio, for investigation of the Post Office Department; to the Committee on Expenditures in the Post Office Department.

By Mr. SAMUEL W. SMITH: Papers to accompany bills for relief of William Hommelsberg, Judson F. Snyder, Samuel B. Carson, Alvan G. Fleury, and Frederick Warren; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, resolutions of the Socialist Local of Flint, Mich., relative to the massing of United States troops on the Mexican border; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Also, protest of the South Lyon (Mich.) Socialist Party, against the interference by United States troops with Mexico; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## SENATE.

MONDAY, April 10, 1911.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. Ulysses G. B. Pierce, D. D.

NAMING A PRESIDING OFFICER.

The Assistant Secretary read the following:

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, UNITED STATES SENATE,  
April 10, 1911.

Being temporarily absent from the Senate, I appoint Hon. WILLIAM ALDEN SMITH, Senator from Michigan, to perform the duties of the Chair.

WM. P. FRYE,  
President Pro Tempore.

Mr. SMITH of Michigan thereupon took the chair as presiding officer.

The Journal of the proceedings of Thursday last was read and approved.

VESSEL SCHOONER "APOLLO."

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate a communication from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting the findings of fact and conclusions of law filed under the act of January 20, 1885, in the French spoliation claims set out in the annexed findings by the court relating to the vessel schooner *Apollo*, Richard H. Richards, master (H. Doc. No. 6), which, with the accompanying paper, was referred to the Committee on Claims and ordered to be printed.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER presented resolutions adopted by the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, favoring the ratification of arbitration treaties with Great Britain, France, and other leading nations, which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

He also presented resolutions adopted by the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, favoring the creation of a permanent tariff board and also the ratification of the pending reciprocal trade agreement between the United States and Canada, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

He also presented a memorial of the committee of the Robert Emmet celebration, held at Passaic, N. J., remonstrating against the ratification of a new arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

He also presented petitions of the congregations of the Church of the Brethren of Hartman, Colo., and Mount Ida, Kans.; of the Ministerial Association of Franklin, Pa.; and of the congregation of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Mitchell, Kans., praying for the enactment of legislation to prohibit the sale of opium and cocaine in the United States; which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. CULLOM presented memorials of Local Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, of Peoria; of the Alta Farmers' Elevator Co., of Alta; and of sundry citizens of Holder and Champaign County, all in the State of Illinois, remonstrating against the ratification of the proposed reciprocal trade agreement between the United States and Canada, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. GALLINGER. I have a bundle of coupons signed by policyholders in the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., New York, in favor of the establishment of a national department of health. It seems to be a propaganda on the part of that company, but the petitions should be received. I move that they be referred to the Committee on Public Health and National Quarantine.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. BRISTOW presented memorials of the National State Grange; of Local Grange No. 1455, of Fontana; and of Local Grange No. 1461, of Westphalia, all of the Patrons of Husbandry, in the State of Kansas, remonstrating against the ratification of the proposed reciprocal trade agreement between the United States and Canada, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. GRONNA. Mr. President, I present resolutions adopted at a State convention held in the city of Grand Forks, N. Dak., April 4, 1911. Mass meetings were held in every county in the State for the purpose of electing delegates to this convention. It was a nonpartisan one—Republicans, Democrats, and Socialists participating in the meeting. I am informed that it was the most harmonious and the most numerous attended convention ever held in the State. After the pending agreement known as the reciprocity agreement had been thoroughly discussed and was fully understood, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted. I ask that they may be read and appropriately referred.